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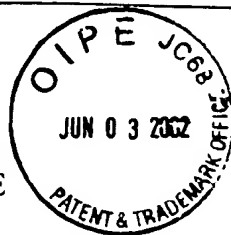
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Heikkila, U.S. Patent No. 4,631,129 granted December 23, 1986 pertains to Production Of Pure Sugars And Lignosulfonates From Sulfite Spent Liquor.

Heikkila et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,637,225 granted June 10, 1997 pertains to a Method For

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